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SUBJ: IMF/IBRD ANNUAL MEETING

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1. PM BARROW ANNOUNCED AT OPENING CONFERENCE OF CARIBBEAN ORGANIZATION OF TAX ADMINISTRATORS AUGUST 20 THA HE WOULD NOT ATTEND EITHER SEPTEMBER MEETING OF COMMONWEALTH FINANCE MINISTERS

IN DAR-ES-SALAAM OJSIMF/IBRD ANNUAL MEETING IN NAIRBBI. THE PM INDICATED HE MADE THIS DECISION DURING RECENT COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE IN OTTAWA. ACCORDING TO PRESS, THE PM REGARDED BOTH UP-COMING MEETINGS AS AN "EXERCISE IN FUTILITY" AND STATED "AS LONG AS WE HAVE A LACK OF DECISION-MAKING IN WASHINGTON, AS LONG AS THE FRENCH ARE AT THE THROATS OF THE AMERICANS AND THE JAPANESE HAVE DECIDED THEY AGE ON THEIR OWN, NO REFORM OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARYO UNCLASSIFIED

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SYSTEM WILL BE AFFECTED OR PROMOTED AT THE MEETINGS". BOTH

THE PM AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY, STEVE EMTAGE, WERE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO ATTEND, BUT NOW BARBADOS WOULD SEND "TOKEN DELEGATION OF ONE OR TWO.

2. ACCORDING MINFINANCE AND PLANNING STAFF, GOB WILL BE REPRESENTED AT BOTH MEETINGS BY CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR DR. COURTENAY BLACKMAN WITH POSSIBLE ATTENDANCE ALSO BY MINFINANCE AND PLANNING DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CHARLES SKEETE.

3. REFTEL PARAGRAPH 2:

(A) GOB EXPECTED TO FORMALLY ACCEDE TO IBRD MEMBERSHIP AT NAIROBI MEETING. EMBOFF UNDERSTANDS THIS IS ONLY FORMALITY AND GOB HAS ALREADY APPLIED TO IBRD FOR LOAN FOR SELONDARY EDUCATION. IBRD MISSION ALSO EXPECTED VISIT BARBADO IN OCTOBER ON FACT FINDING MISSION.

(B) NONE.

(C) NONE.

4. CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK WILL BE REPRESENTED AT IMF/IBRD MEETING BY CDB VICE PRESIDENT, ROY JONES.
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